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SUBJECT: U.S.-U.S.S.R. HOUSING AGREEMENT: PROJECT VISITS,  
WORKING GROUP 10.01

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REQUEST EMBASSY PASS ASAP TO THERENTIEV OF GOSSTROY FOLLOWING  
LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 12 FROM TOM PEYTON, U.S. WORKING GROUP  
CO-CHAIRMAN.

"MR. ALEXANDER A. BOROVY, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR  
GOSSTROY, MOSCOW, USSR.

DEAR MR. BOROVY:

THIS IS IN REPLY TO YOUR LETTER OF AUGUST 29, 1978, REGARD-  
ING PROPOSED PROJECT TEAM VISITS DURING THE FOURTH QUARTER  
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1978.

PLEASE REFER TO MY LETTER TO YOU OF AUGUST 29, 1978, LISTING  
ARRIVAL OF DELEGATION HEADED BY MR. RANDY VOSBECK, THE  
PROJECT CHAIRMAN FOR THE PROJECT 2.1, "ORGANIZATION AND  
TECHNOLOGY OF DESIGN." WITH REGARD TO THE US ITINERARY  
PREFERENCE, THE PROJECT TEAM FEELS IT IS IMPORTANT TO CON-

CENTRATE ON SUBJECT MATTER OF MUTUAL INTERESTS AND NOT GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION. IN ADDITION TO PROJECT TEAM VISIT TO MOSCOW, IT IS SUGGESTED WE MIGHT VISIT ONE OTHER LOCATION SELECTED BY YOU.

OUR HISTORIC PRESERVATION EXPERT, MR. WALTER ROTH, WILL BE VISITING THE USSR FOR THE FIRST TIME AND IS INTERESTED IN SEEING HISTORICAL SITES WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SEEING HOW OLDER GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS ARE ADAPTED TO SERVE MODERN NEEDS. IF YOU FEEL IT USEFUL, PERHAPS A TRIP TO LENINGRAD OR SAMARKAND COULD BE ARRANGED.

PROJECT GROUP 3.1, "LARGESCALE CONSTRUCTION" HEADED BY MESSRS. ROBERT BORG AND JAMES KING, PLANS A VISIT THIS QUARTER TO THE USSR AS OUTLINED IN THE PROTOCOL. ARRIVAL IS SUGGESTED FOR OCTOBER 17, WITH DEPARTURE SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 21. OTHER MEMBERS OF THE TEAM WILL BE MR. FRANK CODELLA, DR. DANIEL HALPIN AND DR. ROBERT STARK WITH ONE OR TWO EXPERTS TO BE NAMED AT A LATER DATE.

THE PROJECT TEAM WOULD PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING ITINERARY:

OCTOBER 17 - ARRIVE MOSCOW - VISIT TSNIPASS OF GOSSTROY

OCTOBER 18 - VISIT GLAVMOSSTROY

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OCTOBER 19 - VISIT KIEV - KIEVZNIIEP

OCTOBER 20 - INTERVIEW MEMBERS OF GLAVKIEVGOSSTROY

OCTOBER 21 - VISIT MINSK - INTERVIEW MEMBERS OF MINSK GOSSTROY

OUTLINED BELOW ARE BIOGRAPHICAL DATA ON THE US PARTICIPANTS:

JAMES A. KING -ASSISTANT TO CO-CHAIRMAN: DIRECTOR, PROJECT IAISON DIVISION: OFFICE OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, PUBLIC BUILDINGS SERVICE, GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION. HE IS AN ELECTRICAL ENGINEER.

ROBERT F. BORG -MEMBER OF WORKING GROUP: PRESIDENT, KREISLER-BORG-FLORMAN, SCARSDALE, NY. FORMERLY CHAIRMAN, CONSTRUCTION DIVISION OF AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS (ASCE). MEMBER OF NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION POLICY COMMITTEE OF ASCE.

FRANK L. CODELLA - MEMBER OF WORKING GROUP; SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, TOWER INTERNATIONAL, NEW YORK, NY.

DR. ROBERT M. STARK - PROFESSOR OF CIVIL ENGINEERING AND  
MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE, NEWARK DE.;  
MEMBER, AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS CONSTRUCTION  
RESEARCH COUNCIL (CHAIRMAN 1978-1979); THE INSTITUTE OF  
MANAGEMENT SCIENCES OPERATIONS RESEARCH SOCIETY OF AMERICAN.

DR. DANIEL W. HALPIN - PROFESSOR OF CIVIL ENGINEERING,  
GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ATLANTA, GA.; MEMBER OF  
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS.

REGARDING PROPOSED VISIT TO USSR BY US PROJECT TEAM 1.3,  
"RATIONAL VOLUME DECISIONS IN RESIDENTIAL, INDUSTRIAL AND  
COMMUNAL HOUSING," THE US PROJECT TEAM HAS RECEIVED AND HAS  
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ACCEPTED USSR PROJECT TEAM'S DESIGN CRITERIA PROPOSAL. WE  
SUBMITTED OUR PROPOSAL TO YOU ON AUGUST 24, 1978, AND ARE  
AWAITING WORD OF YOUR ACCEPTANCE, AS OUTLINED IN THE  
PROTOCOL. WE FEEL THAT A MORE MEANINGFUL EXCHANGE CAN TAKE  
PLACE BETWEEN US/USSR PROJECT TEAMS IF DESIGN CRITERIA HAS  
BEEN AGREED UPON IN ADVANCE. AS SOON AS WE RECEIVE WORD OF  
YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF OUR DESIGN PROPOSAL, WE WILL SUBMIT A  
DEFINITE TRAVEL PLAN TO VISIT THE USSR. WE HOPE A VISIT TO  
THE SOVIET UNION CAN BE ARRANGED THE LAST WEEK OF OCTOBER.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO THESE MEETINGS OF MUTUAL INTERESTS AND  
THE CONTINUED EXCELLENT RELATIONS WHICH WE HAVE EXPERIENCED  
WITH OUR SOVIET COLLEAGUES.

SINCERELY,

TOM L. PEYTON, JR., ACTING DEPUTY ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR  
PROJECT MANAGEMENT, GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION." CHRISTOPHER

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